



Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks

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NOTICE OF DECISION

March 5, 2003

TO: Environmental Quality Council
Director's Office, Dept. of Environmental Quality
Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks

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Fisheries Division
Wildlife Division

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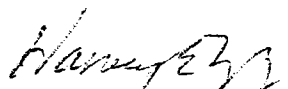
Ladies and Gentlemen:

A Draft Environmental Assessment (EA) was prepared for Duck Creek Fishing Access near Laurel, Montana. The draft EA was circulated for 40 days and legal notices were published on Montana's electronic bulletin board, the Laurel Outlook and the Helena Independent Record. We received eleven comments in writing and two phone calls commenting on this project.

The department has decided to proceed with the project as described in the Environmental Assessment.

This project is subject to appeal, which must be submitted to the FWP Director in writing, and postmarked within 30 days of the date on this decision notice. The appeal must specifically describe the basis for the appeal, explain how the appellant has previously commented to the department or participated in the decision-making process, and lay out how FWP might address the concerns in the appeal. If you have questions regarding this decision notice, please send e-mails to hnyberg@state.mt.us or call me at 247-2951.

Sincerely,


Harvey E. Nyberg
Regional Supervisor

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